February 19, 1959

Dr. Kenneth Scott
Wagner College
Grymes Hill
Staten Island, New York

Dear Ken:

Do you know if there is any microfilm available on any Connecticut newspaper covering the period 1785-89? I am particularly interested in any one published in New Haven such as the New Haven Journal, the New Haven Chronicle, or the New Haven Gazette. I would also like to see any paper published at Hartford during that period. If Wagner College has any of these I would like very much to borrow them.

My very kindest personal regards.

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

WAGNER COLLEGE
GRYMES HILL
STATEN ISLAND 1, NEW YORK

Feb. 24, 1989

Dear Eric:

Enclosed is the information you wanted. The [New London] Connecticut Gazette for the years you want is being mailed you from the college. I'll write more later.

Amelia joins me in affectionate greetings to you both.

Cordially,

Ken

April 13, 1959

Dr. Kenneth Scott
Wagner College
Grymes Hill
Staten Isàand, New York

Dear Ken:

I have read several Connecticut newspapers for the 1785-89 period and I have you to thank both for the habit of reading newspapers and for having one microfilm sent to me. Naturally, I found wonderful material which I am writing up on the operation of the Connecticut Mint.

In order to help your future writings along I thought you would be interested in the article in the May 29, 1786 Connecticut Courant where dies for counterfeiting guineas and dollars were found on a ship in the harbor and six men were caught. On January 12, 1789, in the same newspaper, there is another capture of counterfeit dollars and dies. Do you want me to continue to look for this type of thing while I am looking for matters concerning copper coinage?

I really hit the jackpot on one of the newspapers in finding that the Fugio coppers were coined in New York rather than in New Haven as everyone has thought up until now.

You seem to have available much more complete and current data on the location of microfilms of early newspapers. Would you be kind enough to tell me what these volumes are and what supplements there are so that I can have one of our libraries order them. Please indicate the place that they can be ordered from.

Best wishes to you and yours.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

WAGNER COLLEGE
GRYMES HILL
STATEN ISLAND 1, NEW YORK

April 19,1959

Dear Eric:

Thank you for your good letter. I was delighted to know that you had found such wonderful material in the newspapers on microfilm. If you will be patient with me for a week or so, I'll send you the information you want with regard to the location of newspapers on microfilm.

[redacted]

I am grateful for the two items from the Conn. Courant, and hope to do much more writing now than ever before. I'll send you the data you want very soon. Please keep what I have written confidential. You have been such a good friend that I felt I should take you into my confidence.

Aurelia joins me in sending all best wishes to you and Evelyn.

Cordially,

Ken

April 30, 1959

Mr. Eric P.Newman
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.
400 Washington Avenue
Saint Louis 2, Missouri

Dear Eric:

For the data on the location of early newspapers (and holdings thereof) one needs

Clarence S. Brigham: History and Bibliography of American Newspapers, 2 vols. American Antiquarian Society Worcester, Massachusetts, 1947.

For microfilmed newspapers one needs

Newspapers on Microfilm (2nd ed.). Compiled by George A. Schwegmann, Jr. Library of Congress, 1953.

Then there are supplements put out regularly-- by the Library of Congress, I recall, giving new microfilms available. Our chief librarian was out when I tried to get the exact title of these supplements, so I'll ask again and write you. At least this will give you a start.

In great haste,

Cordially,

Ken

P.S. In Worcester at the Am Antiquarian Soc in Worcester I know they are going to put on microfilm all the remaining early newspapers not yet filmed.

WAGNER COLLEGE
GRYMES HILL
STATEN ISLAND 1, NEW YORK

May 15, 1959

Mr. Eric P. Newman
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.
400 Washington Avenue
St. Louis 2, Missouri

Dear Eric:

As I have not yet had any report from our chief librarian, I am suggesting that you ask Clarence S. Brigham, Director of the American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Massachusetts, for a list of all early newspapers available on microfilm since the second edition (1953) of George A. Schwegmann, Jr.'s Newspapers on Microfilm. Mr. Brigham can tell you at once, I am sure.

May I trouble you with a question about the value of some early bills? I enclose the letter. Would it be too much trouble to answer the lady? I do not know the collector's value of the notes at all.

With many thanks and all best wishes,

Cordially,

Ken

WAGNER COLLEGE
GRYMES HILL
STATEN ISLAND 1, NEW YORK

May 16, 1959

Dear Ene:

I just found the enclosed in my box — from the college librarian. There is a 3rd. edition of Schwegmann's Newspapers on Microfilm (published by the Library of Congress). Probably that is what I saw before it was catalogued. I am sure it will be helpful.

Cordially

Ken

P.S. A friend of mine, Bob Shelare, who is a partner in the brokerage firm of Hirsch & Co., has just received a patent on a new type of shoe. He asked me about Mr. Melville (whom a friend of mine knows) with regard to seeing if Sam Kim would be interested. I suggested, instead, that he write to you, as he probably will.

Also, the other day, my good friend,

Dr. E. Thomas Gilliard, Asst-Curator of Birds at the American Museum of Natural History, who has just returned from an expedition to New Britain, was telling me of his idea about a book for sportsmen, explorers etc. and I told him he should let you know about it. So, when you are next in N.Y.C. with Evelyn, I do hope I can have you meet the Gilliards. Perhaps you have seen his articles in the National Geographic or his new book, Birds of the World.

K.

WAGNER COLLEGE

Inter Office Memo

FROM R. Enequist

TO Dr. Kenneth Scott May 15, 1959

We finally found the 3rd edition of Schwegmann's NEWSPAPERS ON MICROFILM. It was in the process of being cataloged (and still is). It should be on the shelves in a few days. If you want it before then, please let us know.

Sorry I couldn't locate it the other day.

R Enequist

* Microcosm (Ann Arbor

Publ. by University Microfilms, Inc.
313 No. First St.
Michigan

See cop. Vol. III April 1957 No. 2
article "18th Century Newspapers: A Neglected Primary Source"

Note The Baltimore American (1799-1932) is being microfilmed by the Maryland Historical Society.

May 7, 1959

Dear Eric:

I have just talked with our librarians. They don't recall what the bulletins were but are going to check with the Library of Congress.

I did, however, find a little pamphlet Microcosm [see above] and made two notes that may interest you.

As soon as our librarians get any further data, I'll write you.

Cordially
Ken

47 Tompkins Circle
Staten Is 1, N.Y.
May 27 1959

Dear Lane:

Had a look at the third edition of Schwegmann's Newspapers on Microfilm. It is dated 1957, so it will bring you nearly up to date.

There is a chance that the R.I. Historical Society will publish my book on Counterfeiting in Colonial R.I. It looks as they write me as though they are seriously considering it.

Hope you will be coming to N.Y.C. before long. Let me know in advance.

Best wishes to you and family.

Cordially
Ken

November 6, 1959

Dr. Kenneth Scott
48 Tompkins Circle
Staten Island 1, New York

Dear Ken:

As you no doubt have seen by the announcement from the A.N.S. I am giving a lecture on Saturday afternoon, November 14, and if you want to be bored, it would be a pleasure to see you at that time. We are involved socially (unfortunately) in the evening and at Sunday noon.

I plan to be at the Society as much of Saturday as possible and could therefore see you before the program if it is convenient for you to come to it.

You seem to be pouring out writings on various subjects at such an enormous pace that it frightens me. Are you sure that you have not obtained these from envelopes prepared by others and kept in the Manufacturers Trust Company vaults.

Evelyn joins me in sending you and Aurelia our best. She will be with me at the meeting.

Most cordially yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

KENNETH SCOTT

48 TOMPKINS CIRCLE, STATEN ISLAND 1, NEW YORK

November 1, 1959

Dear Eric:

A week or so ago I met Mr. William H. Dumont, 3896 Porter St., N.W., Washington 16, D.C. He told me that he had discovered among government records the names, by states, of the persons who had turned in Continental bills that had been recalled and the amounts surrendered in each case. He was at the NYHS reading one of your articles and my book, so one of the librarians introduced me to him. I thought you might want to get in touch with him about the lists.

The director of the R.I. Hist. Society is interested in publishing my manuscript on counterfeiting in Colonial R.I. and in August told me he had gotten bids for the printing but still had to call a meeting of his publication committee. I hope that they will decide to bring out the book and, if they do, I'll try to get a set of proofs for you.

[redacted]

Aurelia joins me in sending kindest regards to you both,-

Cordially,

Ken

August 14, 1961

The Rhode Island Historical Society
52 Power Street
Providence 6, Rhode Island

Gentlemen:

Thank you for advising me of the availability of Kenneth Scott's book on Counterfeiting in Colonial Rhode Island. I wish to order the same, which comes to $4.00 with the mailing charge.

I also wish a copy of Rhode Island History, for July, 1958, entitled "A Half Sheet of Stolen Rhode Island Bills".

A check for $5.00 is enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

bc:
Dr. Kenneth Scott
48 Tomkins Circle
Staten Island, New York

THE RHODE ISLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY

AT JOHN BROWN HOUSE, BUILT 1786
CLIFFORD P. MONAHON, *Director*

52 POWER STREET, PROVIDENCE 6, R. I.
CLARKSON A. COLLINS, III, *Librarian*

AUGUST 10, 1961

MR. ERIC P. NEWMAN
SECRETARY
EDISON BROTHERS STORES INC.
400 WASHINGTON AVENUE
ST. LOUIS 2, MISSOURI

DEAR MR. NEWMAN:

THE ENCLOSED NOTICE EXPLAINS THE WORK OF KENNETH SCOTT ON THE SUBJECT OF COUNTERFEITING IN RHODE ISLAND.

IN ADDITION, MR. SCOTT WROTE AN ARTICLE "A HALF SHEET OF STOLEN RHODE ISLAND BILLS" WHICH APPEARED IN THE JULY, 1958, ISSUE OF RHODE ISLAND HISTORY. ANOTHER ARTICLE OF HIS APPEARED IN THE OCTOBER, 1959, ISSUE OF THE SAME PUBLICATION, THE SOCIETY'S QUARTERLY, UNDER THE TITLE, "A NEWPORT STREET FIGHT IN 1768" AND CONTAINED NO INFORMATION ON THE SUBJECT OF COUNTERFEITING. SEPARATE ISSUES OF RHODE ISLAND HISTORY ARE AVAILABLE AT THE PRICE OF $1.00 APIECE.

WE WILL BE PLEASED TO HAVE YOUR ORDER FOR ANY OF THESE ITEMS.

VERY TRULY YOURS,

Clarkson A. Collins III

CLARKSON A. COLLINS, III
LIBRARIAN

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Please bill me. ☐

NAME .....

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KENNETH SCOTT [redacted]
43-25 DOUGLASTON PARKWAY, DOUGLASTON 63, NEW YORK

Sept. 3, 1961

Dear Eric:

[redacted]

Shortly before we left for Europe, Mr. Robert G. Conelet, wrote a reference

to my Oxford book in a Goodspeed's Catalogue (May - June 1961 - pp. 237-240). As the item deals with counterfeiting, 1785, I am sending the catalogue to you. Can you return it to me at your convenience.

I had a lot of fun this summer working in the British Public Records Office.

Aurelia joins in in sending best wishes to you both. Do get in touch with me when you come to N.Y.C.

Cordially,

Ken

September 15, 1961

Dear Ken:

I was delighted to hear from you and am glad to know of the whereabouts of you and Aurelia and, particularly, that you are working together again.

We were in South Africa for our vacation and I am sorry I did not know you were working in the Public Records Office in London. I urgently need an item there and they do not seem to be able to find it. Do you have any particular friend who would give my item one more try?

Thank you for sending me the Goodspeed's item, which I am returning herewith.

My research, for the moment, has taken a turn into the 1804 dollar field and as soon as I get that taken care of I will get back to normal early American research.

Our best to both of you and we look forward to seeing you at the earliest occasion.

Cordially,

Dr. Kenneth Scott
43-25 Douglaston Parkway
Douglaston 63, New York

EPN/atb

KENNETH SCOTT

43-25 DOUGLASTON PARKWAY, DOUGLASTON 63, NEW YORK

Sept. 19, 1961

Dear Eric:

Thank you for your good letter and for the Goodspeed's catalogue.

Fortunately I can give you the name and address of a very competent genealogist, who does research in the Public Records Office every day. I had the seat next to her most of the time. She is Mrs. Winifred M. Willmott, 15 Goulding Court, Turnpike Lane, London N.8, England. I presume that she would charge a small fee, depending on the amount of time it takes her. I hope that this will prove helpful and only wish I could have looked for the item for you.

With best wishes to you both,

Cordially,

Ken

November 5, 1962

Dr. Kenneth Scott
Queensborough Community College
Springfield Blvd. and Long Island Expressway
Bayside 6h, New York

Dear Ken:

There are two publications of yours which I do not have and they were published in the NUMISMA of Madrid. They are "Punishing of Coiners in the Colony of Connecticut", and "Samuel Casey".

Is it possible you have an extra copy of these items or, if not, send me an off-print and I will have it photocopied.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

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QUEENSBOROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE
THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK
Springfield Boulevard and Long Island Expressway
Bayside 64, New York

Nov. 7, 1962

Dear Eric,

I have an offprint of the article on "Peneskreant of Comers in the Colony of Connecticut" and shall send it to you at once. As for the Samuel Casey article, I have in the past knocked frequently for my reprints of it — but without success. They are very likely in a carton in our summer place in Warner, N.H., and we won't be there till next summer.

If you are in a hurry to get it, why not write to Spain for that number of Winnowing, I suspect it is still in print.

Best wishes to you both.

Cordially
Ken

THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
(FOUNDED 1858 · INCORPORATED 1865)
BROADWAY BETWEEN 155TH AND 156TH STS
NEW YORK 32, N.Y.

Nov. 3/1962.

Dear Eric,

Thanks for your letter of Oct. 29.

We're not surprised to know that the variety of publications entitled Numisma confuses you! We have our moments, too.

The one which includes the two Scott articles however is the Spanish publication of that name which is still being issued from the following address:

Fábrica Nacional de Moneda y Timbre,
Museo-Biblioteca,
Plaza de Colón 4,
Madrid.

With best wishes,
Sincerely,
Geoff. North

January 28, 1963

Dr.Kenneth Scott
Queensborough Community College
Springfield and Long Island Expressway
Bayside 64, New York

Dear Ken,

I find I did not thank you for sending me the offprint of your "Punishment of Coiners in the Colony of Connecticut" and look forward to the Samuel Casey reprint when you get around to it.

My last few months have been involved in ethics and I am enclosing the proposal I am making for adoption by coin societies. Your friends, the counterfeitors, are bobbing up in their modern form and are going to cause endless trouble unless they are stopped.

My very best wishes to you and Aurelia,

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

March 21, 1967

Dr. Kenneth Scott
Queensborough Community College
The City University of New York
Springfield Blvd. and Long Island Expressway
Bayside 64, New York

Dear Ken:

Under separate cover, from Aaron Feldman, in New York, I am having sent to you my book entitled "Early Paper Money of America". I am particularly grateful to you for all of the work which you did in this field. Your work made it possible to identify many of the counterfeits which are listed and citations to your work, as you will see, are profusely scattered throughout.

I am sure that I had as much pleasure in writing this book as you did from your extensive research and writings.

I will be interested in any suggestions you might have for improving my book in the event a revision is desired. In the meantime, my kindest regards to you and Aurelia.

Sincerely yours,

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ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

March 28, 1967

Professor Kenneth Scott
Queens College of the City University of New York
Flushing, New York 11367

Dear Ken:

My book, THE EARLY PAPER MONEY OF AMERICA, was sent to you at Queensborough, so I presume your wife will bring it to you. I would appreciate it if you would go over it and make any suggestions or corrections for improvement which you are in a position to do so well. I hope there will be a second edition as they are starting the second printing now.

I did not know of your "Counterfeiting in Early Vermont" and will greatly appreciate a copy if you have one.

I was very pleased to see the type of historical writing which you are doing and, naturally, would like you to return to numismatics with "Counterfeiting in Colonial Massachusetts."

Evelyn and I are going to Europe this summer, driving through East Germany, Hungary and southern Russia. Then we will return to attend the International Numismatic Congress, in Copenhagen. This will take place from August 28 through September 2 in the event you want to attend as you will be close by.

[redacted]

Kindest regards.

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC
EDUCATION SOCIETY

EPN/atb

QUEENS COLLEGE
of THE CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK
FLUSHING · NEW YORK 11367

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY HICKORY 5-7500

March 24, 1967

Dear Eric:

Thank you for your good letter. Your book has not arrived but it will be here, in all probability, when we return from Washington, where we are going for a few days. Did you get a copy of my article, "Counterfeiting in Early Vermont," Vermont History 33 (1965), pp. 297-307?

Aurelia brought me your letter from Queensborough. Two years ago I was offered a full professorship in history at Queens College and have been very happy there.

The enclosed brochure will give you an idea of some of the writing I am doing. Sometime I hope to do a book on Counterfeiting in Colonial Massachusetts. The director of the Massachusetts Historical Society asked me if I wouldn't do the job but I have been too busy and also do not want to put all the necessary time into it unless I am sure that someone will publish the book.

Do try to see us when you are next in New York City. We bought a house in Douglaston, which is part of New York City and about 23 minutes by train from the Penn Station. We expect to be here except from Aug. 1 to Sept. 11 when we shall be in Europe (England and Holland).

Kindest regards to you both.

Cordially,

Ken

April 4, 1967

Mr.Kenneth Scott

Eric P. Newman

Dear Ken:

I was completely unaware of a couple of your articles which you listed -- "Counterfeiting in Colonial North Carolina" and "Some Counterfeitors of Provisional Currency." Would you please send me these twoitems and I will have them Xeroxed and return them.

I already have the "New Hampshire Tory Counterfeitors Operating In New York City" but I have it listed under New Hampshire and it probably should be under New York.

The Vermont item does not relate to the early currency period but I am delighted to have it.

When Aurelia's article on Stephen Burroughs is published, please don't forget me.

The first printing of my book is sold out and the second printing is now in the works.

The Saturday Review of April 1, 1967 listed my book as the most horrendous example of typography ever seen. This, of course, was a complaint about the general characteristics of phototypesetting. They did have a nice word to say about the contents, however.

My kindest regards to both of you.

Sincerely,

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P.O.Box 14020
St. Louis, Missouri 63178

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